REPORT

OF THE

GWYNNE TEMPORARY HOME

FOR CHILDREN.

JANUARY 1, 1903.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE

GWYNNE TEMPORARY HOME FOR CHILDREN

(46 WORCESTER STREET, BOSTON.)

FOR THE YEAR 1902

BOSTON:
THOMAS GROOM & CO.
82 STATE STREET.
1903.

OFFICERS FOR 1903.

President.

JOHN D. WILLIAMS,
160 State Street.

Vice-President.

WILLIAM FAXON.

Treasurer.

ALEXANDER F. WADSWORTH,
50 State Street.

Counsellor.

Miss M. C. STEVENSON.

Clerk.

EZRA H. BAKER.

Managers.

Jan.	JOHN D. WILLIAMS.	Miss C. P. NOYES.
Feb.	ALEX. F. WADSWORTH.	Mrs. ALEX. F. WADSWORTH.
Mar.	CLEMENT S. HOUGHTON.	Mrs. G. S. CURTIS.
Apr.	ROBERT S. STURGIS.	Miss ELEANOR G. MAY.
May.	Dr. E. C. STOWELL.	Mrs. ROBERT B. FAIRBAIRN.
June.	GEORGE C. CHANEY.	Mrs. G. W. WHEELWRIGHT.
July.	WILLIAM FAXON.	Mrs. WILLIAM FAXON.
Aug.	EZRA H. BAKER.	Miss ELINOR CURTIS.
Sept.	W. W. BLACKMAR.	Mrs. W. W. BLACKMAR.
Oct.	NATHANIEL N. THAYER.	Miss ELIZABETH B. BROWN.
Nov.	CHAS. A. WHITTEMORE.	Miss A. C. AYRES.
Dec.	Dr. J. PAYSON CLARK.	Miss MYRIA FORBUSH.

Assistant Managers.

Mrs. FRED'K TAYLOR LORD.	Miss MIRIAM P. HAMLEN.
ARTHUR W. MOORS.	Miss ELIZABETH R. TYSON.

Matron.

Miss FLORENCE C. PEARSON.

COMMITTEES FOR 1903.

School.

Mrs. BLACKMAR. Gen. BLACKMAR.
Mrs. LORD.

Repairs and Furnishing.

Miss BROWN. Mrs. FAIRBAIRN.
Mr. THAYER.

Supplies.

Mr. WADSWORTH. Mr. WILLIAMS.

Finance.

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. WADSWORTH.
Mr. BAKER.

Auditing.

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. MOORS.

Printing Annual Report.

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. FAXON.
Mr. BAKER.

Distributing Annual Report.

Mrs. WADSWORTH. Miss MAY.

Hygiene and Food.

Dr. CLARK. Dr. STOWELL.
Mr. FAXON. Miss AYRES.
Mrs. CURTIS. Miss MAY.

REPORT.

The Managers of the Gwynne Temporary Home for Children, in presenting their customary annual report, are again able to record a year, they trust, of usefulness, although not marked by many important events. There have been received into the Home during the year two hundred and two children, eighteen more than were received the previous year. We are thankful we have no deaths to report.

The health of the children has been generally good the past year, except for a few weeks this autumn, when some cases of scarlet fever — fortunately of a very mild form — prevented the reception of children into the Home, and thus interrupted our work. Had it not been for this, we should have been able to report a larger number of children aided.

In spite of every care taken to prevent the introduction of contagious or other diseases, occasional outbreaks do occur; but we endeavor to minimize their effects, and in this we are greatly helped by our proximity to the City Hospital, where our sick children are always received and most kindly treated.

We have continued the plan of boarding out in separate homes the infants left with us. The results thus far have been satisfactory, and what was an experiment

a few years ago is now a part of our established work. We believe that the benefit to the children is so marked that a return to the former method of retaining them in the Home itself would be undesirable. Frequent visits are made to the children, and they are watched with every possible care.

We have at times discussed the question of extending this boarding out to the other children who are not yet old enough for the schoolroom, but have not yet seen our way clear to make a change from our present methods. Such a change would mean an increased expense and the practical disuse of a portion of our Home.

During the year five children have been placed for adoption in families. Although, compared with the number of children temporarily helped, the number of them adopted seems very small, yet the results are most beneficial and gratifying. The frequent letters received from the adopting parents, and the testimony of the children themselves as they grow to maturity, make us very thankful that we are enabled to do this work. Seldom do we have to receive back or demand the return of children, a fact that testifies to the kindness of those who have made homes for our unfortunate little ones.

We must expect this winter an increased demand upon us for aid because of the lack of fuel, and if the winter should be very severe we must be prepared for a constant call upon us. Our friends have always been so generous with their gifts of money, clothing, and other necessaries, that we are confident we can rely upon them to support us in our work.

We shall welcome not only such gifts, but also the

personal interest needed to keep our Institution as one of Boston's best charities.

We thank most gratefully the Matron, the Visiting Physician, and all employees of the Home, for their devotion and fidelity, and again we are glad to thank the Boston Young Men's Christian Union, managers of the country week, Rev. D. W. Waldron, and the Trustees of the Barnard Memorial Chapel, for their repeated kindnesses to our children.

Children in Home December 30, 1901		29
Received during the year		202
		231
Placed in other institutions	17	
Placed for adoption	5	
Returned to parents and friends	192	
		214
Remaining in Home December 29, 1902		17
		231

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

MEMBERSHIP.

All signers of the Constitution and By-Laws, who shall have contributed for two successive years to the funds of the Corporation, shall be members; and membership shall cease on failure for one year so to contribute.

ARTICLE II.

ANNUAL MEETING AND OFFICERS.

The Annual Meeting shall be held on the last Monday of December (or if that is a holiday, on the Tuesday following), at such hour and place as the President and Clerk shall appoint. Notice shall be given in a daily paper published in Boston, seven days, at least, before the meeting. A President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Clerk, Treasurer, twenty-four Managers and not less than five Assistant Managers shall be chosen by ballot at this meeting, to serve for one year, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead.

The Board of Managers, at any regular meeting or at any special meeting called for the purpose, may fill any vacancies in any of the offices of the Corporation.

ARTICLE III.

BOARD OF CONTROL.

The Managers shall be one-half gentlemen and one-half ladies, and shall, with the Assistant Managers and other officers (named in Article II), constitute a Board of Control, which shall have entire charge of the affairs of the

Corporation, including power to authorize a committee of three of the members of the Board to make contracts, and to sell, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of its property, real and personal. The Board shall fix the times and places for its meetings, and, unless otherwise determined by said Board, shall meet once a month, on the last Monday of every month, or if this should be a holiday, then on the following Tuesday. The Board of Control shall appoint two Managers, a gentleman and a lady, a committee for each month; shall appoint a school committee, a committee on repairs, a committee on supplies and a committee on finance, who shall also act as an auditing committee; and shall have power to fill all vacancies. Any person who shall have served for ten consecutive years on the Board shall be eligible, on resignation, to the office of Counsellor, with a vote in the Board when present. The Assistant Managers may act on committees for the month, or otherwise assist the work of the Home.

ARTICLE IV.

COMMITTEES OF THE MONTH.

During the month which shall begin immediately after the monthly meeting, the committee of the month shall have charge of the Home, including, in consultation with the Matron, the admission, discharge, and placing the inmates.

ARTICLE V.

MATRON, ASSISTANT MATRON, TEACHER, AND HOUSEKEEPER.

The Matron shall be chosen by the Board of Control; she shall have entire charge of the Home and its inmates, under the direction of the Board of Control, including power to employ and dismiss servants. The Assistant Matron, Teacher, and Housekeeper, when such are

employed, shall be appointed by the Board of Control, but may be dismissed by the committee of the month, with the approval of the President.

ARTICLE VI.

QUORUM.

Six members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Corporation or of the Board of Control.

ARTICLE VII.

SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Special Meetings of the Corporation may be called at any time by the President, to be notified by the Clerk, in the same manner as the Annual Meeting; and of the Board of Control, by notice to each member through the Post Office; and these meetings shall be called at any time, on the written application of not less than six members.

ARTICLE VIII.

AMENDMENTS.

The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the Corporation, at which the purpose to amend the Constitution and By-Laws shall have been stated as one of the objects of the meeting.

ARTICLE IX.

OFFICERS' DUTIES.

The President, Vice-Presidents, Clerk, and Treasurer shall perform the ordinary duties of their offices. The Treasurer shall submit a report to the Annual Meeting and whenever requested by the President or Committee of Finance; and shall act under the direction of the Com-

mittee of Finance in making or changing investments. All bills shall be approved by at least one member of that committee. The Treasurer may employ a Collector.

ARTICLE X.

ADOPTION.

In all cases where children are adopted from this institution, the President and Clerk are hereby authorized and empowered to give the consent of this institution to such adoption, and to sign, in the name of this institution, all papers necessary to perfect the adoption of such children.

Dr. THE GWYNNE TEMPORARY HOME FOR CHILDREN *in acct. with* ALEX. F. WADSWORTH, *Treas.* **Cr.**

1902.			
Dec. 29.	To cash paid during the year for		
	Provisions and groceries,	$2,187.73	
	Incidentals	672.24	
	Clothing	302.87	
	Wages	2,471 30	
	Board	247 50	
	Infant department	181.25	
	Water	38.00	
	Gas	113.92	
	Fuel	333.27	
	Laundry	546.62	
	Printing, etc.	48.30	
	Repairs	346 61	
	Furniture	23 28	
	Ice	34.50	
	Assessment for Alley (paving)	106.60	
	"Lowell Thayer Fund" for New Year's and Thanksgiving dinners	20.00	
	Collections	4.16	$7,678.15
	Money invested in stocks,	$800.00	
	Money invested in bonds,	29,862.09	
	Accrued interest paid on bonds bought	494.31	31,156.40
	Balance, cash on hand		5,746.96
			$44,581.51

Examined and found correct.

JOHN D. WILLIAMS,
One of the Auditing Committee.

1901.			
Dec. 30.	By balance from old account		$4,046.31
1902.			
Dec. 29.	Subscriptions and donations	$968.00	
	Income from investments,	5,182.44	
	Interest from deposits	182.39	
	Income from S. V. Ashton Trust	1,650.00	
	Income from Thomas A. Goddard Memorial Fund	266.66	8,249.49
	Legacies:		
	Miss Matilda Goddard, in memoriam of her brother, Thomas A. Goddard	20,000.00	
	Ann Dowse Williams	500 00	
	Ann E. Taggard	500.00	
	Miss Charlotte A. J. Mann	110.71	
	Joseph A. Glover	5,000.00	26,110.71
	Sales Central Vermont bond scrip	3.00	
	Dividend Tremont Nat'l Bank, in liquidation	100.00	
	Dividend National Eagle Bank, in liquidation	72.00	
	Mortgage paid off	6,000.00	6,175.00
			$44,581.51

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ALEX. F. WADSWORTH, *Treasurer.*

DECEMBER 29, 1902.

LIFE MEMBERS.

APPLETON, Mrs. WILLIAM.
BAKER, E. H.
BARNES, Mrs. CHARLES B.
*BOND, Mrs. C. L.
*BRADLEE, Rev. CALEB D.
BROWN, Mrs. JAMES.
BROWN, Miss ALICE WOODWARD.
BROWN, ATHERTON T.
BROWN, Mrs. ATHERTON T.
BROWN, Miss ELIZABETH B.
CHAFFIN, Mrs. W. L.
CHAFFIN, Rev. W. L.
CHENEY, Mrs. ARTHUR.
CRUFTS, Miss H. C.
CUSHING, Mrs. BENJAMIN.
*DAVIS, Miss A. W.
*DRAPER, Miss A. A.
DUNCAN, Mrs. GEORGE.
*FAULKNER, Mrs. CHARLES.
FIELD, Mrs. B. W.
*GILMORE, Mrs. ADDISON.
GODDARD, Mrs. WILLIAM.
GREW, Mrs. HENRY S.
*HAYWARD, Mrs. GEORGE P.
HOLLINGSWORTH, Mrs. POLLY R.
HOLLINGSWORTH, Miss ROSE.
HOMER, Miss MARY R.
*HOMER, Mrs. PETER T.
HOMER, Mrs. J. T.
HOOPER, Mrs. I. HARRIS.

*Deceased.

*HOVEY, Miss MARIAN.
JOY, Miss CAROLINE A.
KENT, Mrs. HELENA M.
*KIMBALL, MOSES.
*LAWRENCE, Mrs. AMOS A.
*LINCOLN, Miss MARY K.
MANN, Mrs. S. H.
MARRS, Mrs. W. D. KINGSMILL.
MERRIAM, Mrs. CHARLES.
MORTON, Miss SARAH B.
NORCROSS, GRENVILLE H.
*RICE, HENRY ALLEN.
*SHATTUCK, Mrs. GEORGE C.
*STEDMAN, Mrs. MARSHALL.
STETSON, Mrs. JOSHUA.
STORER, Mrs. R. B.
STORER, Mrs. WILLIAM BRANDT.
*THAYER, Mrs. C. L.
THAYER, NATHANIEL N.
*WETHERELL, Mrs. JOHN G.
*WIGGLESWORTH, Miss ANNE.
*WILLIAMS, Miss ANN D.

*Deceased.

SUBSCRIBERS AND DONORS.

From January 1, 1902, to January 1, 1903.

Ayres, Miss A. C.	$5 00
Bartol, Miss E. H.	5 00
Beebe, Mrs. J. Arthur	10 00
Blackmar, W. W.	25 00
Blackmar, Mrs. W. W.	25 00
Bowditch, Miss Charlotte	5 00
Brewer, Miss F. R.	10 00
Brewer, Mrs. Thomas M.	5 00
Brown, Miss Elizabeth B.	10 00
Brown, T. Hassall	10 00
Bryant, Mrs. J. D.	2 00
Bullard, Mrs. William S.	5 00
Bullard, Stephen	10 00
Burrage, Mrs. E. A.	5 00
Callender, Mrs. Henry	5 00
Chapman, Miss Jane E C.	2 00
Clark, Mrs. John T.	5 00
Clement, Mrs. Mary A.	10 00
Coolidge, Mrs. H. H.	5 00
Coolidge, Mrs. J. R.	15 00
Coolidge, Mr. J. T.	25 00
Cotton, Miss Elizabeth A.	5 00
Covel, Mrs. A. S.	5 00
Cummings, Mrs. C. A.	10 00
Cunningham, Mrs. J. H.	5 00
Curtis, Mrs. Charles P.	10 00
Curtis, Mrs. Greeley S.	20 00
Curtis, Miss Isabella P.	3 00
Dane, Mrs. John H.	5 00
Dean, Charles A.	5 00
Fairbairn, Mrs. R. B.	$10 00
Faulkner, Mrs. Charles	10 00
Faulkner, Miss F. M.	10 00
Fay, Mrs. J. S.	10 00
Fields, Mrs. James T.	5 00
Fitz, Mrs. W. S.	10 00
Glover, Joseph B.	20 00
Gray, Russell	5 00
Hitchcock, Mrs. John	10 00
Homans, Mrs. John	10 00
Hooker, Miss Sarah H.	1 00
Hope Chapel	10 00
Houghton, Clement S.	10 00
Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Eliot	5 00
Jackson, Mrs. J. B. S.	10 00
Jones, B. M.	5 00
Kendall, Miss H. W.	30 00
Kimball, Miss H. H.	10 00
Loring, Mrs. W. C.	25 00
Lowell, Mrs. George G.	10 00
Lowell, Mrs. Lucy B.	10 00
Mass. Charitable Fire Association,	100 00
May, Miss Eleanor G.	5 00

Merriam, Charles	$5 00
Morgan, Mrs. J. P., Jr.	10 00
Moors, Arthur W.	20 00
Nickerson, Andrew	10 00
Noyes, Miss C. P.	5 00
Osgood, Miss Emily L.	5 00
Parkman, Miss E. W. S.	5 00
Peabody, F. H.	25 00
Peabody, Mrs. S. E.	10 00
Pickering, Henry	25 00
Pickman, Mrs. D. L.	25 00
Powers, Mrs. Geo. C.	5 00
Ranney, Fletcher	5 00
Read, Miss S. E.	10 00
Reed, Mrs. B. T.	5 00
Rhodes, S. H.	5 00
Robinson, J. C.	10 00
Rogers, Mrs. Wm. B.	$5 00
Rust, Mrs. Wm. A.	2 00
Sears, Mrs. K. W.	10 00
Sears, Mrs. P. H.	10 00
Stevenson, Mrs. R. H.	10 00
Storer, The Misses	10 00
Tuckerman, Mrs. C. S.	5 00
Turner, Miss Abby W.	25 00
Unitarian Sunday School of North Easton	73 03
Wadsworth, Mrs. A. F.	10 00
Warren, Miss Cornelia	5 00
Wheelwright, Mr. Geo. W.	10 00
Whitwell, Miss S. L.	5 00
Wigglesworth, George	10 00
Williams, Miss Adelia C.	10 00
Williams, John D.	50 00
Williams, Miss Ruth	10 00
Wright, Miss E. F.	10 00

DONATIONS TO THE HOME FOR 1902.

Miss E. E. May. — Fifteen garments.

Boston Sewing Circle. — One hundred and four garments.

Mrs. Witherell. — Knitted reins and scrapbook.

Mr. F. W. G. May. — Several donations milk and flowers.

Ladies' Benevolent Society, First Parish, Hingham. — Fifty-three garments.

Mrs. W. W. Blackmar. — Supplies for the schoolroom, trimmed hats, boys' clothing, four barrels apples and five dollars for outing for the children.

First Parish Benevolent Society, Dorchester. — One hundred garments.

Mrs. J. G. Freeman. — Children's clothing, rocking-horse and toys.

All Souls' Church, Benevolent Society, Roxbury. — Twenty garments.

Sewing Circle, through Miss Lucy Parsons. — Nineteen garments, eight towels.

First Church, Berkeley Street. — A new floor for the First Church room.

Trinity Church, Employment Society. — Fifty-four garments.

Mr. H. S. Grew. — Two barrels apples.

Mrs. R. B. Fairbairn. — Stair pads.

Second Church, Copley Square. — One hundred and fifty-four garments.

Mr. G. H. Norcross. — Boys' clothing, picture for nursery, and chairs for adults' dining-room, also linoleum for floor.

King's Chapel Employment Society. — One hundred and fifty garments.

Rev. D. W. Waldron. — Easter cards and two hundred car tickets.

The Herford Club of Arlington Street Church. — An Easter lily.

Mrs. A. J. Brown. — Donation of carpeting.

Mrs. Geo. P. Sanderson. — Two barrels of apples.

Boston Flower Mission.— Several donations of flowers.

Mrs. John F. Osgood. — Fifty-seven garments.

Boston Female Asylum. — Donation of blankets.

Parker Memorial. — Several donations of flowers.

Cambridge Sewing Club, through Miss J. F. Bumstead. — Forty-five garments and nine hoods.

Miss Rebecca Lynch. — Barrel of apples.

Mrs. R. B. Fairbairn. — Chairs for the children's dining-room.

The Misses Storer. — Packing boxes.

Barnard Memorial Chapel. — An invitation to the children's May Day Festival at Mechanic's Hall.

The Every Day Church. — Several donations of flowers.

Mrs. N. M. Blanchard. — Box of apples.

Mrs. C. B. Barnes. — Barrel of vegetables.

Miss Farnsworth. — Baby blanket.

Miss Ames. — One dollar for strawberries for the children.

Mrs. Thomas Gale. — Barrel of apples.

The Needlework Guild of America. — Ten skirts.

Mrs. Agnes C. Weston. — Barrel of apples.

Miss E. B. Brown. — Fifteen dollars for material for dresses.

From Unknown Donors. — Two boxes of infants' clothing.

THANKSGIVING.

Tremont Street Methodist Church. — Two chickens, fruit, and vegetables.

CHRISTMAS.

Mrs. W. W. Blackmar. — Box dressed dolls.

The Misses Storer. — Box clothing and Christmas gifts.

Mr. E. A. Kelly. — Two dollars for toys for nursery.

Mrs. Geo. H. Green. — Knitted balls, toys and books.

Mrs. Geo. W. Wheelwright. — Turkey, two pictures, and toys.

Mr. A. G. Pearson. — Box candy canes.

Mrs. J. B. Chapin. — Box Christmas gifts.

Loyal Workers of Hopedale, through Miss Ruth C. Dutcher. — Seventeen stockings filled with candy, nuts, fruit, toys, books, and games.

Little Bettie Boyd. — Box Christmas gifts.

Miss E. B. Brown. — Three dollars for Christmas gifts.